

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title : METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR CARDIAC VALUE REPAIR

**Mail Stop Amendment**

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**AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO ACTION OF DECEMBER 4, 2006**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8.